

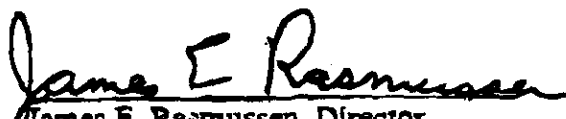
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EXTENSION OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (HFFACO) DISPUTE RESOLUTION REGARDING U. S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY (DOE) CHANGE REQUEST M-45-02-02, "COMPLETE RENEGOTIATION OF SECOND PHASE (i.e., SEPTEMBER 30, 2006, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2015) SINGLE-SHELL TANK (SST) WASTE RETRIEVAL ACTIVITIES"

On February 12, 2002, the State of Washington, Department of Ecology (Ecology) notified the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protection (ORP) of its disapproval of HFFACO Change Request M-45-02-02. On February 19, 2002, ORP initiated the dispute resolution process as set forth in HFFACO Article VIII. On March 20, 2002 the parties extended the dispute resolution period to May 31, 2002. The parties have since continued their efforts to resolve this dispute. Based on these efforts to-date, the parties have concluded that additional time is warranted to attempt to complete these activities. Consequently, an additional extension of the dispute resolution period at the Project Managers level to June 21, 2002, is hereby approved.

Agreed to this 31 day of May 2002.


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